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VIA EMAIL & HAND DELIVERY

Mr. Charles Terreni, Chief Clerk
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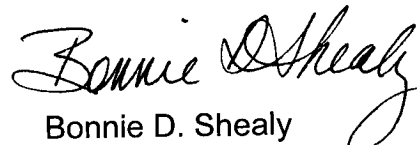
**Re: Matrix Telecom, Inc – CLEC Certification
Docket No. 2005-75-C
Our File No. 30062-0001**

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Matrix Telecom, Inc. please find Bond No. K07033394 issued by Westchester Fire Insurance Company for \$5,000.00. As a result of discussions with the Office of Regulatory Staff, Matrix agreed to voluntarily post the enclosed bond. By copy of this letter, I am serving the same on all parties of record and filing a copy with the Office of Regulatory Staff. Please stamp the extra copies provided as proof of filing and return them with our courier.

Very truly yours,

ROBINSON, MCFADDEN & MOORE, P.C.


Bonnie D. Shealy

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enclosure

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BOND

(License or Permit - Continuous)

Bond No. K07033394

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

THAT WE, Matrix Telecom, Inc., as Principal, and Westchester Fire Insurance Company, a corporation duly incorporated under the laws of the State of New York and authorized to do business in the State of South Carolina as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto South Carolina Public Utilities Commission as Obligee, in the penal sum of Five Thousand (\$5,000.) Dollars, for the payment of which we hereby bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, the Principal has obtained or is about to obtain a license or permit for Intrastate Interchange Carriers and Alternate Operator Service Providers

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CONDITIONS OF THIS OBLIGATION ARE SUCH, that if the Principal shall faithfully perform all duties and protect said Obligee from any damage caused by the Principal's non-compliance with or breach of any laws, statutes, ordinances, rules or regulations, pertaining to the license or permit issued, then this obligation shall be null and void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

This bond shall become effective on the 8 day of September, 2005.

PROVIDED, that regardless of the number of years this bond is in force, the Surety shall not be liable hereunder for a larger amount, in the aggregate, than the penal sum listed above.

PROVIDED FURTHER, that the Surety may terminate its liability hereunder as to future acts of the Principal at any time by giving thirty (30) days written notice of such termination to the Obligee.

SIGNED, SEALED AND DATED this 8 day of September, 2005.

By: _____

, Principal

By: _____

, Attorney-in-Fact

Laurie Pflug, Attorney-in-Fact

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Know all men by these presents: That **WESTCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY**, a corporation of the State of New York, having its principal office in the City of Atlanta, Georgia, pursuant to the following Resolution, adopted by the Board of Directors of the said Company on November 8, 1999, to wit:

"RESOLVED, that the following Rules shall govern the execution for the Company of bonds, undertakings, recognizances, contracts and other writings in the nature thereof:

- (1) That the President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, and Assistant Vice President, or any Attorney-in-Fact, may execute for and on behalf of the Company any and all bonds, undertakings, recognizances, contracts and other writings in the nature thereof, the same to be attested when necessary by the Corporate Secretary, or any Assistant Corporate Secretary, and the seal of the Company affixed thereto; and that the President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President or any Assistant Vice President may appoint and authorize any other Officer (elected or appointed) of the Company, as Attorneys-In-Fact to so execute or attest to the execution of all such writings on behalf of the Company and to affix the seal of the Company thereto.
- (2) Any such writing executed in accordance with these Rules shall be as binding upon the Company in any case as though signed by the President and attested to by the Corporate Secretary.
- (3) The signature of the President, or a Senior Vice President, or a Vice President, or an Assistant Vice President and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile on any power of attorney granted pursuant to this Resolution, and the signature of a certifying Officer and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile to any certificate of any such power, and any such power or certificate bearing such facsimile signature and seal shall be valid and binding on the Company.
- (4) Such other Officers of the Company, and Attorneys-In-Fact shall have authority to certify or verify copies of this Resolution, the By-Laws of the Company, and any affidavit or record of the Company necessary to the discharge of their duties.
- (5) The passage of this Resolution does not revoke any earlier authority granted by Resolutions of the Board of Directors."

Does hereby nominate, constitute and appoint **SUEELLEN CHASTAN, DENNIS LOOTS, JILL N. SWANSON, B.L KELLAR, RAY C. HENNINGSON and PFLUG LAURIE** all of the City of Minneapolis, State of Minnesota, each individually if there be more than one named, its true and lawful attorney-in-fact, to make, execute, seal and deliver on its behalf, and as its act and deed any and all bonds, undertakings, recognizances, contracts and other writings in the nature thereof in penalties not exceeding Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000) and the execution of such writings in pursuance of these presents shall be as binding upon said Company, as fully and amply as if they had been duly executed and acknowledged by the regularly elected officers of the Company at its principal office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said Stephen M. Haney, Vice-President, has hereunto subscribed his name and affixed the corporate seal of the said **WESTCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY** this 16th day of July 2004.

WESTCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY



Stephen M. Haney

Stephen M. Haney, Vice President

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
COUNTY OF PHILADELPHIA ss.

On this 16th day of July, A.D. 2004, before me, a Notary Public of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in and for the County of Philadelphia came Stephen M. Haney, Vice-President of the **WESTCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY** to me personally known to be the individual and officer who executed the preceding instrument, and he acknowledged that he executed the same, and that the seal affixed to the preceding instrument is the corporate seal of said Company; that the said corporate seal and his signature were duly affixed by the authority and direction of the said corporation, and that Resolution, adopted by the Board of Directors of said Company, referred to in the preceding instrument, is now in force.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal at the City of Philadelphia the day and year first above written.



NOTARIAL SEAL
Kathleen Tirri, Notary Public
Philadelphia, Philadelphia County
My commission expires September 22, 2007

Kathleen Tirri

Notary Public

I, the undersigned Secretary of **WESTCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY**, do hereby certify that the original POWER OF ATTORNEY, of which the foregoing is a substantially true and correct copy, is in full force and effect.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name as Secretary, and affixed the corporate seal of the Corporation, this 8 day of September 2005



George D. Mulligan

George D. Mulligan, Secretary

THIS POWER OF ATTORNEY MAY NOT BE USED TO EXECUTE ANY BOND WITH AN INCEPTION DATE AFTER July 16, 2006.

**BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2005-98-C**

In Re:

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Application of Matrix Telecom, Inc.)
For a Certificate of Public)
Convenience and Necessity to)
Provide Local Exchange)
Telecommunications Services in)
the State of South Carolina)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that I, Mary F. Cutler, a legal assistant with the law firm of Robinson, McFadden & Moore, P.C., have this day caused to be served upon the persons named below the **Bond No. K07033394 issued by Westchester Fire Insurance Company** in the foregoing matter by placing a copy of same in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed as follows:

Margaret M. Fox, Esquire
McNair Law Firm, P.A.
P.O. Box 11390
Columbia, SC 29211

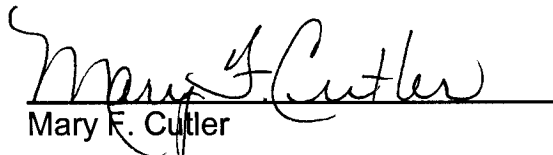
Florence P. Belser, General Counsel
Benjamin P. Mustian, Esquire
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Dan F. Arnett, Chief of Staff
Office of Regulatory Staff
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David Butler, Hearing Examiner
South Carolina Public Service Commission
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Dated at Columbia, South Carolina this 13th day of September, 2005.


Mary F. Cutler